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This paper is a request for a continuation under 37 CFR §1.53(d) of:

Applicant: IVAN HARGRO, PETER C. RAHN, PETER C. VAN DAVELAAR
AND JEFFREY A. HORSMANTitle: MODULE AND METHOD FOR INTRODUCING A SAMPLE INTO A
CHROMATOGRAPHY COLUMN

Prior U.S. application no: 09/548,261

Filing Date: April 12, 2000

The prior application was complete as defined by 37 CFR §1.51(b), or was a national stage of an international application filed in compliance with 35 USC §371.

This request for a CPA is the reference to the prior application noted above as required by 35 USC §120. Kindly abandon the prior application in favor of the continued proceedings that are requested herein.

The prior application is assigned of record to Dyax Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on November 4, 1998 at 9589/0351.

This request includes 2 sheets.

Enclosures:

— Preliminary amendment, 7 pages.

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The entire disclosure of the prior application is part of this application and is incorporated by reference.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 28-36.

Amend claims 22 and 25 as follows:

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1 22. (Amended) A chromatography column for accepting a sample module comprising:
a tubular member having an inlet end, an outlet end, and an inner surface;
first and second porous members disposed within said tubular member; and
a chromatography media disposed within said tubular member and bounded by said first
and second porous members;
wherein said first porous member abuts said chromatography media and said first porous
member is also in downwardly slidable contact with said inner surface of said tubular member

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